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Northwest Surgical Specialists to join PeaceHealth Medical Group

**SPRINGFIELD, Ore. –** After several decades of collaborative partnership, we are excited to announce Northwest Surgical Specialists (NWSS) has formally joined PeaceHealth Medical Group, expanding on our shared legacy of exceptional surgical care in Oregon.

A group of seven surgeons from NWSS will be called PeaceHealth Surgical Specialties at Northwest Specialty Clinics after the transition.

“This is an opportunity to expand access to care for our community and bring a collection of skilled and highly reputable surgeons into PeaceHealth Medical Group,” said Dr. Scott Foster, chief executive for PeaceHealth Medical Group. “The surgeons from NWSS are experienced in general, minimally invasive, colorectal, foregut and other oncologic surgery.”

In addition to surgeons from NWSS, PeaceHealth Medical Group is recruiting additional surgeons to establish the first PeaceHealth Medical Group vascular surgery team in Oregon.

PeaceHealth is pleased to welcome Dr. Thomas Bascom, Dr. Katelyn Clark, Dr. Daniel Cusati, Dr. David DeHaas, Dr. Nichole Ingalls, Dr. Kevin Modeste and Dr. Diego Muilenburg to PeaceHealth Medical Group.

**About PeaceHealth:** PeaceHealth, based in Vancouver, Wash., is a not-for-profit Catholic health system offering care to communities in Washington, Oregon and Alaska. PeaceHealth has approximately 16,000 caregivers, a group practice with more than 1,200 providers and 10 medical centers serving both urban and rural communities throughout the Northwest. In 1890, the Sisters of St. Joseph of Peace founded what has become PeaceHealth. The Sisters shared expertise and transferred wisdom from one medical center to another, always finding the best way to serve the unmet need for healthcare in their communities. Today, PeaceHealth is the legacy of the founding Sisters and continues with a spirit of respect, stewardship, collaboration and social justice in fulfilling its Mission. Visit us online at [peacehealth.org](http://www.peacehealth.org).